Remarks

Claims 76-81, 79, and 90 (now renumbered 1-6, 7 and 8, respectively) have been allowed.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Application is being filed in an abundance of caution to ensure consideration of the references listed on the form PTO-1449 filed herewith.

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes such would facilitate prosecution of the present application. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time during normal business hours (Pacific Standard Time).

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 5/22/04

By

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